

Letters



The governing body of the city of Muscotah would like to express their gratitude and appreciation for the help Lonnie Boller provided in planning and constructing a new chlorine house and chlorine pump system in Muscotah. His advice and help was valuable and we want to let you know how much we appreciate it.

*Roy Tacker, Mayor
Debbie Liggatt, City Clerk*

I would like to express my appreciation to Jim Jackson, Doug Guenther and KRWA. The amount of dedicated work they put into restoring the water system in Greensburg was

tremendous. This was my first opportunity to meet Jim and Doug and I was extremely impressed. These two guys knew what was going on! I would again like to personally thank Jim, Doug and KRWA for their outstanding help in the process of rebuilding Greensburg, Kansas.

*Mick Kendall
Superintendent of Utilities
City of Greensburg*

Elmer, thank you for your leadership getting water to south east Kansas flooded areas. The Kansas Rural Water Association continues to be there when we need them!

*Congresswoman
Nancy E. Boyda*

I wish to thank you for traveling to Wilsey this week to unplug the pipe connecting the two wastewater lagoons. I was impressed at how easily and quickly you were able to fix this problem. Having the proper equipment and the knowledge to use it really makes a difference.

The Kansas Rural Water Association has once again provided valuable service for this community. Thank you again for coming here to help with this matter. May God bless you and the Association.

*Sylvester Sauder, Mayor
City of Wilsey*

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We at Rural Water District 1 in Miami County would like to thank you and KRWA for allowing Gary Armentrout to help us with our meter problems at the Osawatomie and Paola pump house. His technical expertise and mechanical help was excellent.

*Frank Pretz, Field Manager
Rural Water District 1
Miami County*

Thanks so much, Elmer, for allowing me to speak for KRWA! I enjoyed working with you. What an incredible event! Congratulations! I can't tell you how impressed I was. I love your passion for what you do. It really comes through and everyone benefits from it. I'm sure it makes your speakers take more pride in what they do knowing how much you care about the cause. It was an honor and a joy to be a part of it, to work with you and watch the way you do things.

Thanks for taking such good care of Maria and me and making us feel so much 'at home.' We had a great time at the carnival the night before. I appreciate you keeping us in mind for other programs or other groups. Until our paths cross again, I wish you all the best. Thanks again.

*Scott Friedman, CSP
Denver, Colo.*

I would like to express my gratitude for the assistance of Charlie Schwindamann, Lonnie Boller and Bert Zerr. Being new to the job, their expertise and advice helped with many problems or questions I had. A special thanks to Charlie for his help with lagoon problems and to Bert and Lonnie for their help that led me to pass my wastewater and water supply systems operator exams.

*Robert Krohn
City of Westmoreland*

For some unexplained reason, the northern part of the Cherokee RWD 1 system lost pressure, indicating a major leak. Since Bob Kirby has been working so closely with the district concerning water loss, I immediately called him and informed him of the situation. In no time Bob was on the scene. A flush hydrant had been bush hogged (shredded) out of the ground at the corner of 90th and Lawton Road. Bob was helpful in accessing the problem as well as providing suggestions for repair and assistance.

Thanks again for all the good work KRWA provides to our small water district. With Bob's help and guidance we hope to be able to get a handle on leaks and water loss in the system in the near future.

*JW Stephenson, Operator
Cherokee RWD 1*

Hillsdale Water Quality Project staff would like to express our gratitude to you, Doug Helmke, for your participation in the Third Annual Shawnee Mission Park Water Festival, July 26!

Your hard work and dedication made this a successful event! Everyone's activities and presentations were wonderful!

I hope that you enjoyed the day and everything went well. If you have any concerns about this year's event that should be addressed for next year, please let me know.

The event was possible through a Hillsdale Water Quality Project education outreach program funded by a Johnson County Stormwater Management Advisory Council Education Grant administered through Johnson County Stormwater Management Program.

*Jennie Fyock
Information Specialist
Hillsdale Water Quality Project*

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Welcome to these new KRWA members!

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The Rice County

Conservation District would like to thank you (Doug Helmke) for your assistance at the conservation education tour that was held September 18, 2007.

We believe that the event provided a worthwhile learning experience for all the students attending the event.

*Rena Billington
Rice County
Conservation District
District Manager*

Thank you for your

sponsorship of Kansas PRIDE. Beattie PRIDE appreciates your caring enough to be involved to strengthen our communities

*Becky Dunlap
Marshall County*

Elmer: We here at RWD 6 in

Franklin County would like to thank you and your people for all the help this past year. Pat McCool helped with chemical problems, Gary Armentrout tested meters and provided pressure recorders that showed us where we could add new customers and where we should not. Jim Jackson needs recognition for all the work on the Source Water Assessment Report. We'd also like to thank all the other KRWA employees for their work as well.

Also, any time we call your office for help, you and your office staff are always ready and willing to try and help us with our problems. We always look forward to going to the conference where we learn something new and are able meet new people and exchange stories. Thanks again and keep up the good work.

*Bill Kern, Manager
Franklin County RWD 6*

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